

**ACRYLIC-BASED COPOLYMER COMPOSITIONS FOR  
COSMETIC AND PERSONAL CARE**

**ABSTRACT**

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A composition for nails, skin and hair in the form of an aqueous emulsion or dispersion is provided. The composition comprises: (a) at least one copolymer comprising (i) about 10 to 85 weight percent of (meth)acrylate ester of C<sub>4</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> straight and/or branched chain alkyl alcohol, (ii) about 10 to 70 weight percent of (meth)acrylate ester of a saturated or unsaturated cyclic alcohol containing 6 to 20 carbon atoms; and (b) an aqueous carrier, solvent, or vehicle component. When used in hair applications, the inventive composition is not a reshaping composition.

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